

## SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Union County High School** 

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Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,225

Principal: Floyd Lyles

Superintendent: Dr. Kristi V. Woodall Board Chair: Dr. Betty JoAnn McMorris

### **PERFORMANCE**

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2012	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	F	N/A
2011	Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A

## **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	14	9	0	2

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

# HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2012 2013		2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	71.2%	69.7%	77.3%	77.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	18.8%	19.2%	13.8%	13.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	10.0%	11.1%	11.1%	9.2%

#### HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

(	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.3%	91.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE						
	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Number of students	258	245				
Number of Diplomas	212	176				
Rate (%)	82.2%	74.6%				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013							
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	64.9	74.0					
English 1	55.9	67.7					
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	39.3	74.4					
US History and the Constitution	48.3	50.5					
All Tests	51.7	64.5					

## **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina	28	45	25 2				
Nation	25	43	29 3				
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, a	nd Advanced				
■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced							

MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina		30	38	25	7		
Nation	[	28	39	26	8		
% Below Basic  % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced  ■ Below Basic  □ Proficient  ■ Advanced							

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina	39	32	27	1			
Nation	36	32	29	2			
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced  Below Basic   Proficient   Advanced							

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# Union County High School [Union County] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,225)				
Retention rate	3.0%	Up from 0.9%	3.6%	2.9%
Attendance rate	92.7%	Down from 92.8%	95.7%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	7.5%	N/A	16.4%	17.5%
With disabilities	16.5%	N/A	12.7%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	8.7%	N/A	9.0%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.7%	Down from 0.9%	0.9%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	7.2%	Down from 11.4%	10.5%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	26.0%	Up from 23.8%	48.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	32.9%	Up from 31.9%	30.9%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	3.3%	Down from 3.4%	2.5%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers (n=59)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	49.2%	Up from 44.9%	62.6%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	79.7%	Down from 85.5%	80.0%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	75.9%	Down from 84.2%	87.2%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	93.7%	Up from 92.6%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,847	Up 0.7%	\$48,860	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.3%	Up from 2.5%	3.6%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	6.6 days	Down from 7.9 days	10.0 days	9.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	33.5 to 1	Up from 33.0 to 1	27.3 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.9%	Up from 84.1%	89.2%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$4,836	Up 2.3%	\$8,021	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.0%	Down from 61.8%	57.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.0%	Down from 62.8%	59.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	98.1%	97.7%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score  * Length of contract = 185+ days.	58.2	Down from 59.9	69.1	77.4

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	50	216	26
Percent satisfied with learning environment	72%	59.3%	61.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	84%	72.8%	81.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	64%	86.4%	66.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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#### **Abbreviations Key**

# REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Union County High School's theme for 2012-2013 was once again, "One Mission, One Family: To Create the Best Quality Education for All Students." In addition, we implemented a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support initiative (PBIS). The goal of PBIS centered on creating a more positive environment at UCHS. Our motto was "Jacket Power." The word power reflects the following core values that we wish to instill in our students at UCHS: P- Performance; O- Ownership; W- World Awareness; E-Effective Behaviors; and R- Respect. Through this initiative, students and teachers are acknowledged via incentives and other rewards for doing outstanding works and exhibiting commendable behavior- both in and outside of the classroom. The school received \$5,000 from Founder's Federal Credit Union to assist with the Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) Initiative.

Once again, we had exceptional performances from our students in GT Music, Concert Band, Marching Band, Chorus, and Drama. Our Visual and Performing Arts programs continued to excel in statewide competition. The UCHS Marching Band finished in 10th place in the State Finals; 7th place in the Upper-State Finals; 3rd place with an outstanding rating in the Class 4A Byrnes Tournament of Bands; and 1st place in the Class 4A Boiling Springs Festival of Bands. The Indoor Percussion Band finished in 2nd place in the finals at the CIPA Championship; 1st place in the South Pointe High School Competition; 1st place in the Byrnes High School Competition, 9th place in the finals of the WGI Regional Competition; and 3rd place in the Percussion Scholastic A Competition. Twelve students qualified for Region Band, while two qualified for All-State Band. Our Winterguard placed 7th in the Byrnes High School Competition; drama students won awards from the SC Theatre Association; and art students were recognized for their work at local art exhibits and at the state fair. Additionally, our athletic teams performed well throughout the year. The girls' golf team was named State Golf Champions for the first time in the school's history! One student was named All-State Region Tennis Player of the Year. Our football, softball, and baseball teams went deep into the playoffs with the baseball team playing for the state championship for the third year in a row. The football team was named Upper-State Champions for the first time and competed for the State Championship for the first time in the school's history. The Girls' basketball team was named Region Champs for the first time in the school's history, with one student making the All-State team. The girls' coach was named coach of the year during her first year at UCHS! Two wrestlers competed for the State Championship with one placing 3rd for the Bronze Medalist, while the other came in 5th place. The boys' baseball team was named Region Champs, and one student from the girls' softball team was named All-State Region Player of the Year! The JROTC program continued to excel in academic, leadership, and rifle competitions. The JROTC Academic Team advanced to the national finals in the JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl to be held this summer in Washington, D.C. This is the sixth straight time UCHS has made it to the top 40 of 1,700 Army JROTC units in the nation, a record matched by only one other school! They made it to level two of the competition (top 50 percent of 1,700 teams). Two students on the JROTC Raider team won top female team honors during the Walhalla "March or Die" event. One student in the Class of 2013 had perfect attendance for twelve years; two students had perfect attendance one year; five won the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship; and the total class received \$3,073,732 in academic scholarships this year.

The graduation rate at UCHS increased from 72.8% to 79.3%, exceeding that of the state and of other high

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available